

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

PART 1 - EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Project Number: **MAR 16 1987****MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST**

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Use typewriter or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheet.

1. Name of property:

Address of property: 508 N. Paca StreetCity Baltimore County _____ State MD Zip Code 21201Name of historic district: Seton Hill Historic District
☒ National Register district
 ☐ certified state or local district
 ☐ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- ☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
- ☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
- ☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
- ☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
- ☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Authorized project contact:

Name Lisa K. Jensen, c/o The french Company, Inc. Title Preservation DirectorStreet Wheaton Plaza Office Bldg.N., Suite 403 City WheatonState MD Zip 20902 Telephone Number (during day): (301) 462-4900

4. Owner:

Name John L. Due, c/o The French Company, Inc.Street Wheaton Plaza Office Bldg. N., Suite 403 City WheatonState MD Zip 20902 Telephone Number (during day): (301) 792-4019

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the above-named property.

Owner's Signature John L. Due Date January 8, 1987Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number [REDACTED]

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application - Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
- ☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
- ☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
- ☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
- ☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
- ☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date _____

National Park Service Authorized Signature _____

National Park Service Office _____

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Property Name

508 N. Paca St., Baltimore MD

Property Address

John L. Due, [redacted]
owner/tenant/Social Security or Taxpayer ID Number

Description of physical appearance:

508 N. Paca St. is a three bay, two-and-a-half-story brick gabled building. The front facade has been painted, but the south side has not. Unfortunately, that side suffers from structural problems in the form of a noticeable bow in the middle of the wall. There is a single, gabled dormer at the center of the front slope of the roof and one broad end-chimney at the south end of the ridge. There is a two-story brick and frame ell extending west from the gabled section. The entire first floor and the eastern room on the second and third floor are the original, now painted, brick; the western room on the second floor seems to be a later frame addition, distinguished by the lower slope of its shed roof. Along the south side of the ell, a utilitarian enclosed frame porch was added at some later date.

Inside, the simple original staircase and balustrade, six panel doors, beaded trim, and the mantels reminiscent of the Federal period remain to verify the architectural integrity of this house.

Date of Construction: c. 1840 Source of Date:

Date(s) of Alteration(s): unknown

Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when?

Statement of significance:

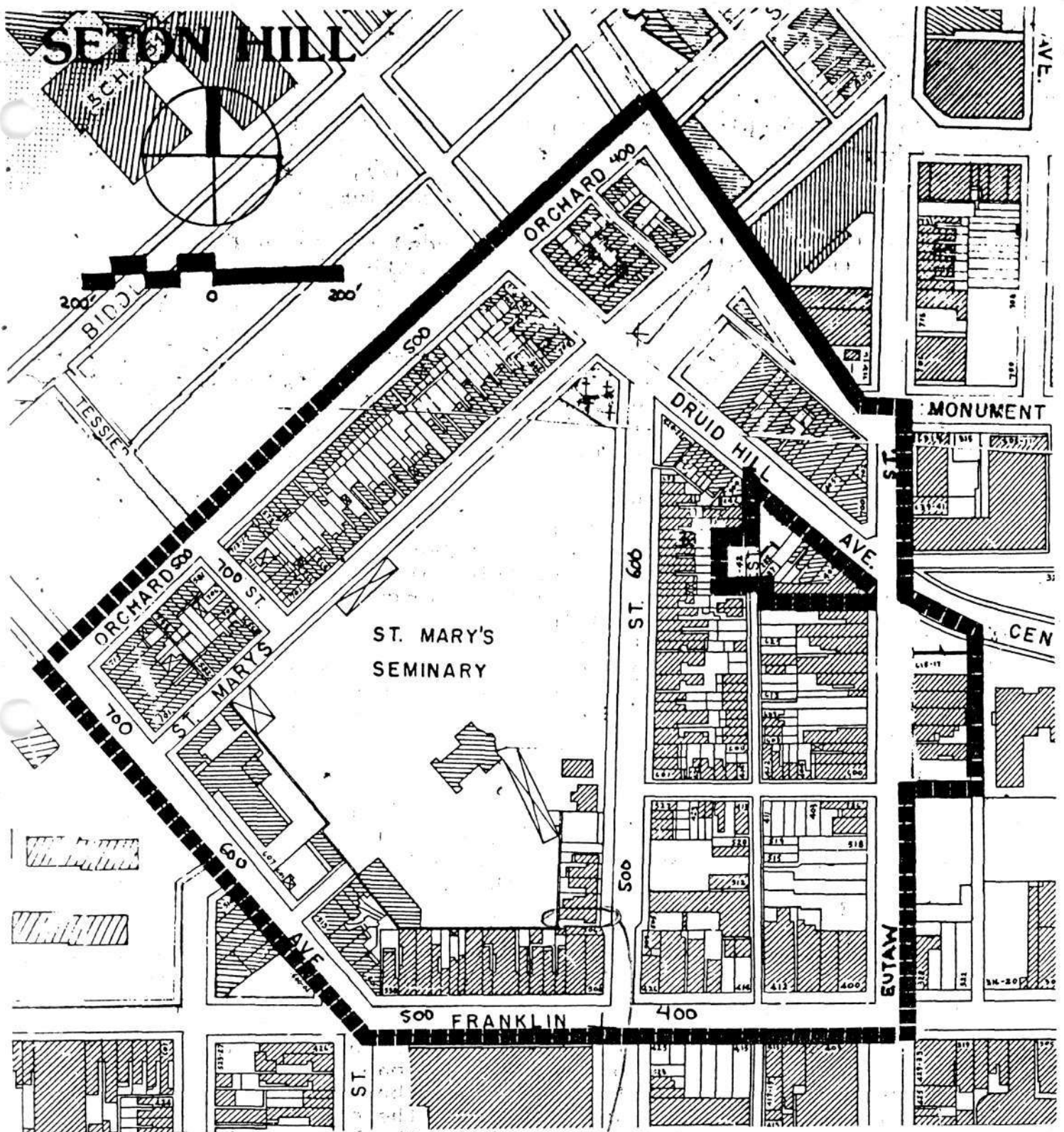
The only historic photograph (1937) that has been found of this building shows a six-panel front door (two long panels on top, small in the middle, and medium height on the bottom). Bulkhead doors cover the basement opening under the center window. The windows are set off with louvered shutters. (photo at the Enoch Pratt Library) Other than those changes the building looks the same.

This structure has several characteristics typical of the Seton Hill neighborhood: its small scale, its brick construction, and its simplicity of ornamentation. 508 N. Paca St. is a rowhouse that was constructed during the second quarter of the 19th Century and has only a few alterations made to its original design. However, the changes, such as the enclosed porch and some partition walls, do not compromise the historic character of the building. The significant features of the facade fenestration pattern and the interior trim remain to identify this structure as one which contributes to the character of the Seton Hill Historic District.

Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

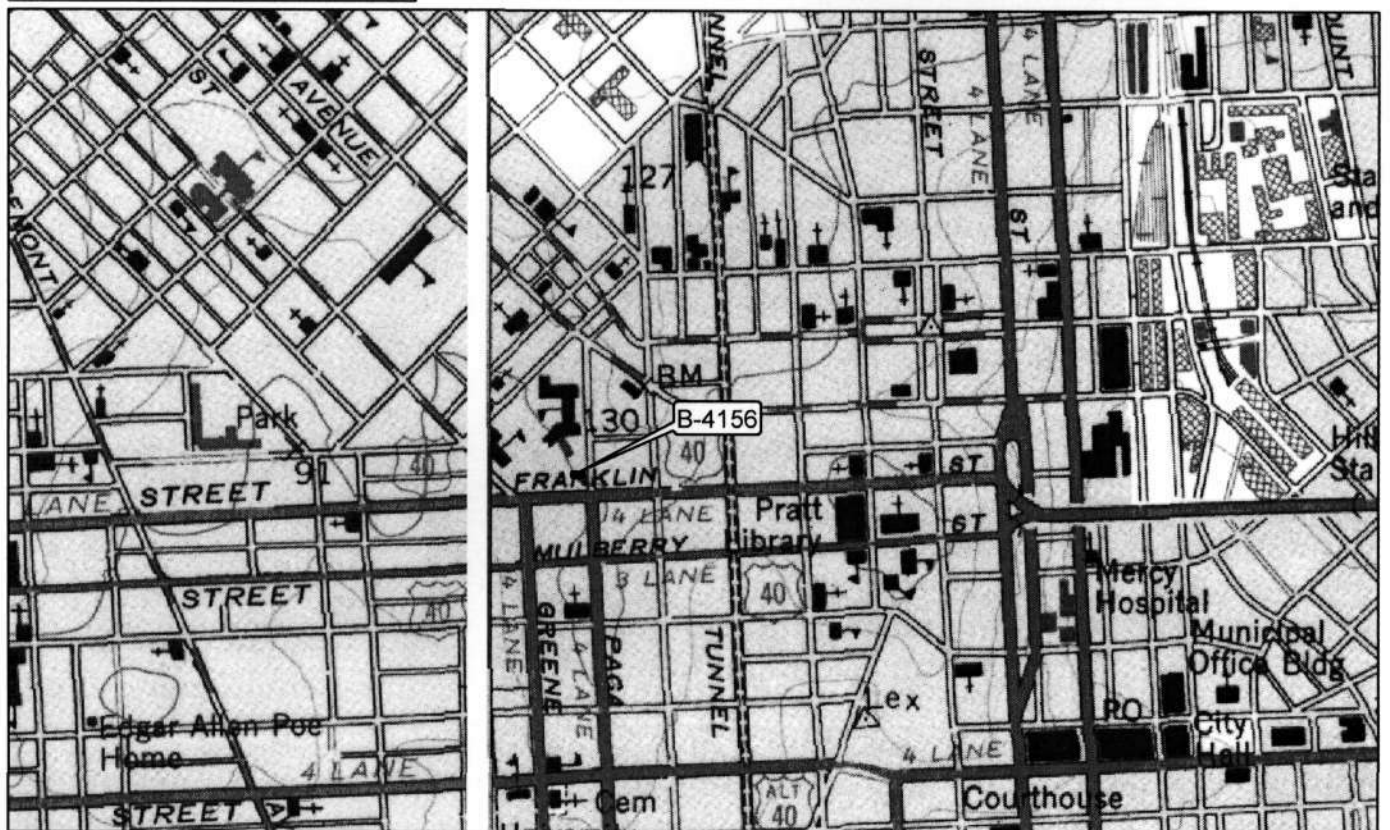
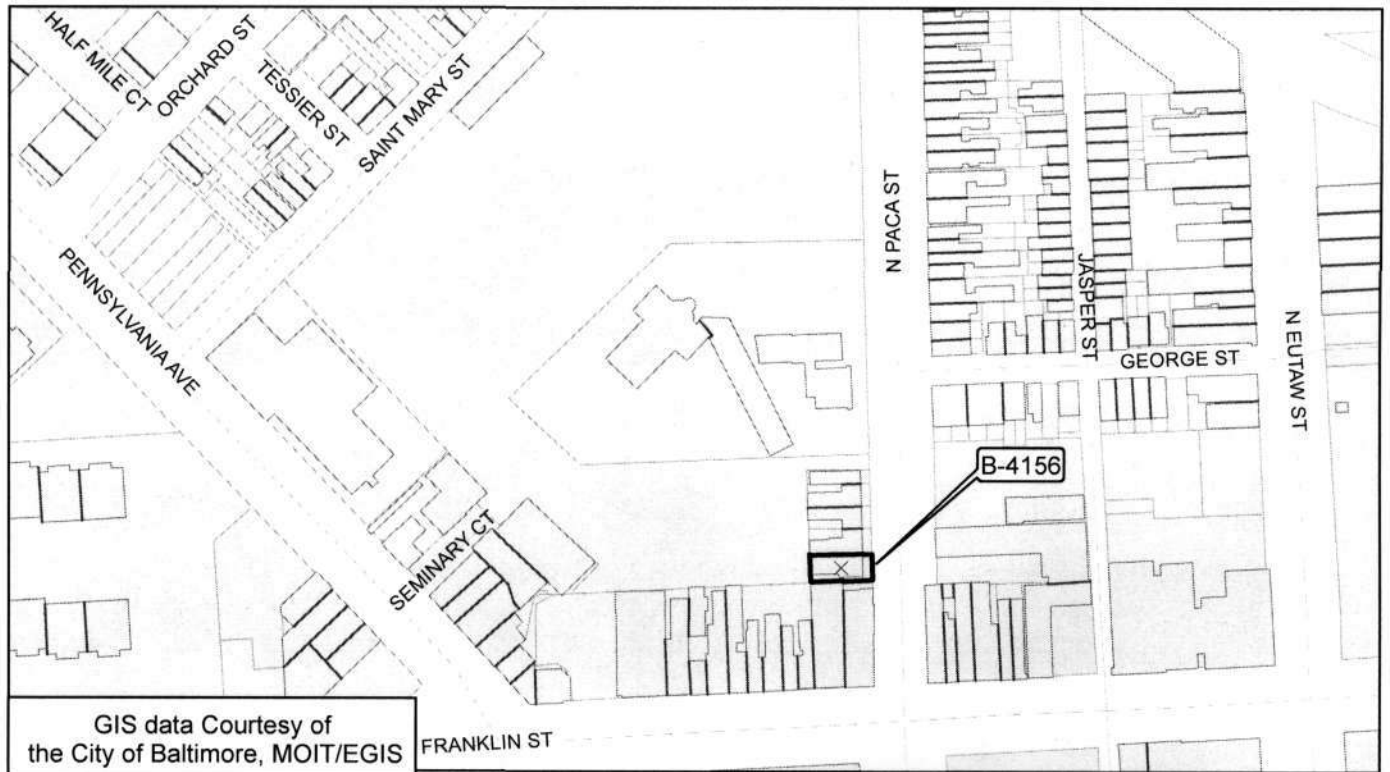
Continuation sheets attached: ☒ yes ☐ no



SETON HILL BALTIMORE CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT 7/2/68 ; 8/14/79
 SETON HILL NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT 9/30/75

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508 N. Paca Street
Block 0546, Lot 027
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.



508 N. Paca Street
Baltimore 1985

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1 AND 2. STREETSCAPES LOOKING NORTH AND SOUTH ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE 500 BLOCK OF N. PACA STREET.

